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SUBJ: 60TH ECOSOC--DECADE TO COMBAT RACISM

1. PARA TWO OF THIS MESSAGE REPORTS THE TEXT OF A GHANAIAN DEL DRAFT ON THE PROPOSED WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. IT IS CIRCULATING INFORMALLY. THE DRAFT CONSISTS OF TWO PARTS, A TEXT PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION BY ECOSOC AND A DRAFT RESOLUTION TO BE PROPOSED FOR THE NEXT GA. PLEASE NOTE THAT OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH NUMBER TWO OF THE LATTER TEXT SPEAKS OF FULL AND UNIVERSAL IMPLEMENTATION OF UN DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS ON RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, ETC.

WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1938 (LVII)B OF 6 MAY, 1975,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPORT E/5763,

NOTING THE COMMUNICATION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA IN  
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WHICH THE GOVERNMENT HAS REITERATED ITS OFFER TO HOLD THE

WORLD CONFERENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE DECADE FOR ACTION  
OF COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

NOTING ALSO THAT ON ACCOUNT OF THE HEAVY EXPENDITURE  
INVOLVED THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS REQUESTED THAT THE  
UNITED NATIONS DEFRAID HALF OF THE ADDITIONAL COST INVOLVED  
IN HOLDING THE CONFERENCE IN ACCRA,

RECOGNISING THE FACT THAT ALTHOUGH GHANA IS ONE OF THE  
COUNTRIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT WORLD  
ECONOMIC CRISIS, THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS COMMITTED  
ITSELF TO A SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS  
THE CONFERENCE,

REITERATING ITS CONVICTION THAT A WORLD CONFERENCE TO  
COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, HELD IN A DEVELOPING  
COUNTRY, WOULD REPRESENT A HIGH POINT OF THE DECADE FOR  
ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION,

1. REITERATES ITS TOTAL ABHORRENCE OF ALL FORMS OF RACISM,  
RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND APARTHEID

2. WELCOMES WITH APPRECIATION GHANA'S CONTINUED INTEREST  
IN HOSTING THE WORLD CONFERENCE, IN PARTICULAR THE SUB-  
STANTIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OF  
GHANA HAS PLEDGED ITSELF TO MAKE TOWARDS THAT END;

3. RECOMMENDS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAKE EXCEPTION  
OF ITS RESOLUTION 2609 (XXIV) AND APPROVE THAT HALF OF THE  
ADDITIONAL COST INVOLVED IN HOLDING THE CONFERENCE IN GHANA  
BE DEFRAIDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS.

4. DECIDES TO AUTHORISE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL IN  
CONSULTATION WITH THE REGIONAL GROUPS TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE  
OF SIXTEEN MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO ACT AS THE PREPARATORY  
SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE CONFERENCE. THE PREPARATORY SUB-  
COMMITTEE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE INTER ALIA, FOR THE  
COMPLETION OF PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE; IN  
PARTICULAR IT WOULD MAKE PROPOSALS FOR THE CONSIDERATION  
OF THE COUNCIL ON SUCH MATTERS AS THE AGENDA, COST AND  
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REPRESENTATION AT THE CONFERENCE AND ALSO ORGANIZE AND  
DIRECT PREPARATION OF THE APPROPRIATE EVALUATION STUDIES  
AND OTHER DOCUMENTATION. THE PREPARATORY SUB-COMMITTEE WOULD  
SUBMIT AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS 61ST  
SESSION IN GENEVA AND A FINAL REPORT AT THE 62ND SESSION OF THE  
OF THE COUNCIL. IN CARRYING OUT ITS ASSIGNMENT, THE  
PREPARATORY SUB-COMMITTEE MAY DRAW ON THE EXPERTISE  
COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION,

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID AND THE SPECIAL  
COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION  
OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO  
COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES.

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5. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO PROVIDE THE PREPARATORY  
SUB-COMMITTEE WITH ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE;  
RECOMMENDS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPT THE FOLLOWING  
RESOLUTION.

WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3057 (XXVII) IN WHICH IT REAFFIRMED  
ITS DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE THE TOTAL AND UNCONDITIONAL  
ELIMINATION OF RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND APARTHEID.

RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTION 3378 (XXX)

NOTING ECOSOC RESOLUTION . . . .

HAVING CONSIDERED THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA  
THAT THE UNITED NATIONS DEFRAID HALF OF THE ADDITIONAL

COST INVOLVED IN HOLDING THE CONFERENCE IN GHANA,

HAVING CONSIDERED ALSO, THE RECOMMENDATION OF ECOSOC IN  
THIS REGARD,  
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RECOGNISING THAT GHANA IS ONE OF THE COUNTRIES MOST  
SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS  
AND THAT DESPITE THIS, THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA IS MAKING  
SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE CONFERENCE:

1. WELCOMES AGAIN AND WITH APPRECIATION THE OFFER OF  
THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA TO HOST THE WORLD CONFERENCE AND  
TAKES NOTE OF THE MEASURES CONTEMPLATED BY THE GOVERNMENT  
AIMED AT ENSURING THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE;

2. DECIDES TO CONVENE A WORLD CONFERENCE IN GHANA PREFERABLY  
IN THE SUMMER OF 1978, WHOSE PURPOSE WOULD BE TO MOBILISE  
WORLD PUBLIC OPINION AND ADOPT MEASURES LIKELY TO SECURE  
THE FULL AND UNIVERSAL IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS  
DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS ON RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION,  
APARTHEID, DECOLONIZATION AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

3. DECIDES TO MAKE EXCEPTION TO ITS RESOLUTION 2609  
(XXIV) AND APPROVE THAT HALF OF THE ADDITIONAL COST INVOLVED  
IN HOLDING THE WORLD CONFERENCE IN GHANA BE DEFRAIDED FROM  
THE REGULAR BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS;

APPEALS TO ALL STATES TO MAKE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS  
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ENABLE HIM UNDERTAKE ACTIVITIES  
ENTRUSTED TO HIM UNDER THE PROGRAMME OF THE DECADE.

REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO MAINTAIN HIS CONTACTS  
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA CONCERNING FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR HOLDING THE CONFERENCE IN GHANA.

DECIDES TO CONSIDER THE ITEM WORLD CONFERENCE ON THE  
DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION  
AT ITS 32ND SESSION WITH HIGH PRIORITY.  
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